

CONA Newsletter

The Council of Neighborhood Associations of South Pinellas County

November 2007

Neighborhood Spotlight – Childs Park

Great things are happening in our Childs Park Neighborhood. Please join me in congratulating the residents and supporting them as they move forward with two very special programs. Read on, you will be amazed. It is all happening right now . . . in Childs Park.

Neighborhood Energy Saver Program

On November 7th, Mayor Rick Baker and Deputy Mayor Goliath Davis unveiled a special partnership between 'Progress Energy, City of St. Petersburg, Midtown Economic Development Center, Childs Park Neighborhood Initiative and Florida Department of Community Affairs. The goal is to assist 701 low-income families in the Childs Park neighborhood by installing energy efficiency measures that will help them lower their energy usage. The program is open to both renters and owners alike. All work is FREE and proposed annual savings to each customer is about \$150.

Each home will receive a FREE energy audit and then be supplied with the following FREE items to help reduce their utility bills:

- Compact fluorescent lighting
- Water heater wrap and pipe installation
- Water heater check / adjustment
- A/C filters (12) and Change indicator
- Low flow shower head
- Refrigerator coil cleaning
- Refrigerator thermometers (2)
- Infiltration kit – (weather stripping, door sweep, caulking foam sealant, clear patch tape)

City will be providing special financial assistance for homes in this program for emergency home repairs. These will be zero interest loans and in some cases the loan may be forgiven if person resides in his home for set number of years. Deputy Mayor Davis suggested that customers can use the \$150 savings they get to improve or replace windows, A/C units, etc.

CONA and will work closely with all the south St. Petersburg neighborhoods to monitor this Energy Saver pilot program, recommend necessary changes/improvements and then push for the next neighborhood to participate. It is encouraging to see these results as we continue to work on all aspects of affordable housing – one of our CONA goals.

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CONA Board Meeting

November 28, 2007

The SUNSHINE CENTER, 330 5th St. N.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

Refreshments provided

Agenda Items:

- CONA Business - Treasurer's Report - Updates
- Nominations - Citizen of the Month
- Neighborhood Energy Saver Program - Melvin Philpot, Progress Energy
- Public Safety Committee - Childs Park Initiative
- My Safe Florida Home - Karen Bolin

Very Important Upcoming Events:

- November 28 – CNN Televised Presidential Debate
- Dec 8 – Slamm & Jamm at Childs Park
- Dec 19 – CONA General Meeting & Elections

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Neighborhood Spotlight – Childs Park continued

Slamm & Jamm Mega Block Party – December 8th

The City is coming alive with a new, innovative approach to STOP THE VIOLENCE among our youth. A dozen groups have teamed up for an anti-violence project that unfolds over 6-weeks of targeted outreach in Child's Park area, culminating in the Slamm & Jamm Mega Block Party December 8th.

The event is purposefully designed as a juvenile crime diversion initiative that is proving successful elsewhere across the country. It is designed to draw a very large crowd and to engage local residents and youth for a 4-to-6 week period leading up to the event. It subsequently uses this large audience and network to connect youth to positive local programs; and connect parents to associational life and to The PACT, which is operating a model for sustaining parental advocacy and involvement.

Block Party Partners include the City of St. Petersburg and the St Petersburg Police Department, The PACT and all Partners, CONA's Public Safety Committee and CONA's President, Coaches and Youth Programs, JWB Child's Park Coalition + The Calling the Men Home Movement + the All Revival Group of Pastors and Area Business owners and Corporate Sponsors.

In preparation for the Talent show, twice weekly practice sessions from Nov 10 – Dec 7 will be held at Child's Park Recreation Center for our teens who will produce, choreograph and perform in the showcase on Dec 8th. This engages youth in leadership and service through a fun event that will draw their parents, family and friends to watch.

Coaches throughout the community have agreed to "open" their practice sessions to neighborhood kids Nov 10 – Dec 7. David White, founder of the Bay City Kings Basketball, started this by simply reaching out to the kids hanging around the park. We want to formalize the initiative with a high-profile kick-off with the support of dozens of Southside coaches. Likewise, we will promote all area after school and youth groups that have room to accept and enroll more kids.

All this leads up to our Slamm & Jamm Mega Block Party from 5 – 9PM on December 8th. We will have an outdoor sound stage and lighting, an eclectic exhibit area with 20 or more vendors, door prizes, a DJ playing old school and pop music, free hot dogs and sodas for the kids as well as paid food vendors with BBQ, soul food, Caribbean fare, desserts and more. The entire field and park area will be open to concert-style set up of lawn chairs, coolers, etc.

I hope everyone understands the huge breadth and scope of these two projects now. Bringing FREE home energy improvements to the Childs Park neighborhood is wonderful. We will take that project to other neighborhoods soon. Helping all the kids who reside in Childs Park is even better. We intend to build on that success and bring a similar event to three other neighborhoods in the South St. Petersburg area. These are two great investments in our neighborhoods and our youth that will continue to pay off in the months and years to come. CONA is very proud to be a part of both of them.

Barbara Heck
CONA President

City of St. Petersburg's New Traffic Safety Program

Mike Frederick, Neighborhood Transportation Manager, has announced new bi-monthly themes that will be used throughout the year to promote traffic safety. These themes are set around the various national campaigns. The City intends to promote awareness to each of these very important safety issues by holding media events, conducting enforcement operations and broadcasting specific programs on Channel 35.

January – February	Speeding
March – April	Pedestrian Safety
May – June	Bicycle Safety
July – August	Red Light Running
September – October	School Safety
November – December	D.U.I.

The Traffic Safety Committee is currently in the planning stage for events this month and going into the holiday period with a renewed effort to bring attention to alcohol and drug impaired driving. Please call Mike Frederick at 727-893-7843 if you have any questions. Remember courtesy promotes safety.

President's Letter

November is a time for thanksgiving and I am very thankful I could lead a team that accomplished so much. This year I pushed CONA hard to work together and to work cooperatively with our City and County governments. Thanks to you - WE DID IT!

1. We worked very closely with Development Services to review, revise and finalize the new LDR's and we continue that process with the upcoming "Glitch" (fix-it) ordinances.

2. We blocked the Fuel Development high-rise on Fifth Avenue showing the developers that CONA is a force to be reckoned with!

3. We blocked Westminster Shores development letting the contractors know they need to work with US first!

4. We helped form CNCN (Council of North County Communities) using CONA by-laws and officer setup and we now present a united voice on all Pinellas County issues.

5. We blocked the Brooker Creek (North County) development working aggressively with CNCN, environmental groups and concerned citizens.

6. We developed a successful Snipe Sign removal program with Codes - NO TOLERANCE!

7. We are working aggressively with the restructured Codes Department to develop a plan to quickly and efficiently address "quality of life" complaints from the neighborhoods.

8. We spoke forcefully at Zoning, EDC, City Council and Board of County Commissioners meetings on all topics CONA voted to support or voted to oppose. We took CONA's position forward, worked hard to find resolution and we made the difference in their votes.

9. We foster safe neighborhoods by working closely with our Police Department and Crime Watch groups. We sponsored and participated in neighborhood cleanup days.

10. We are working to start new Crime Watch groups in neighborhoods requesting that assistance.

11. We co-sponsored with the City the first ever National Neighborhood Day celebration to build neighborhood outreach.

12. We sponsored the hugely successful 3rd Pinellas Living Green Expo teaching our residents the value of going "green."

13. We partnered with League of Women Voters to host a City Council Candidates Forum covered by the press (television and newspaper).

14. We helped start the 34th Street Business Organization providing mentoring, guidance and encouragement to those businesses wishing to join.

15. We installed a centralized database for newsletter editors to access quality articles to help their neighborhoods.

I am thankful for Darden Rice and her insight on environmental and affordable housing issues. She is a valuable advocate who has successfully lobbied our City Council members and County Commissioners.

I am thankful for Will Michaels who continues to lead the way for historical preservation and appropriate LDR's. We know the LDR's would not be as strong as they are now without his thoughtful guidance.

I am thankful for Conrad Weiser who so accurately documents everything CONA does. His historical perspective helps us better understand the current issues and how to resolve them.

I am thankful for Keith Locke who is working on obtaining our 501(c) 3 status. He also was instrumental in establishing the CONA Foundation with money from Progress Energy.

I am thankful for Ingrid Comberg and her continuing work with Court Watch and with the Leadership Program she has nurtured through the years. Thanks to her guidance, our CONA Leadership Program is considered the best in this area.

I am thankful for Mary Darling who has agreed to take on the Leadership Program duties this year and continue its successful run for 2008.

I am thankful for Mo Eppley, our resident computer guru, who lays out our Newsletter and keeps our CONA and PLGE websites up and running. She is also the powerhouse behind our new centralized newsletter database. It's no wonder we call her MityMo.

I am thankful for Travis Jarman who, when asked, moved quickly to solve everyone's problems with the dreaded Snipe Signs. His computer background and understanding of metrics made him a natural for working with our Codes Department and their new Director.

I am thankful for Tom Killian who has helped and mentored each and every one of us over these many years. I'm thankful he's back with us full time!

I am thankful for Cass Rael who agreed to expand his neighborhood Crime Watch duties to become Co-Chair of Public Safety and Policing.

I am thankful for Carol Griffiths who also agreed to expand her neighborhood Crime Watch duties to become Co-Chair Public Safety and Policing.

Together, they are two of the most experienced people in this area, having devoted many, many years to Crime Watch activities. They have been there, done that in each of their own neighborhoods and know how to coach and lead new neighborhoods to successfully fight crime.

But most of all - I am thankful we have all of YOU - our CONA representatives. These accomplishments could not have been made without the contributions from each and every one of YOU. You give freely of your time to help make our neighborhoods a better and safer place to live. I give a hearty round of applause and a big pat on the back to you. Thank you for making CONA the powerhouse it has become this year and will continue to be going forward.

Have a happy Thanksgiving!
Barbara Heck - CONA President

2008 CONA LEADERSHIP

OUR PURPOSE AND MISSION

St. Petersburg's most important asset is its people. The combination of citizen participation and active neighborhoods has contributed to the improvement of the quality of life in our city. As we continue to meet the challenges of today's urban community, citizens and neighborhoods play an important role in preserving and improving what is best about our city. As a result, the quality of neighborhood leadership becomes even more important. The CONA Leadership program has been developed to ensure that St. Petersburg has a continuing base of knowledgeable and talented people ready to step into Leadership positions.

THE PROGRAM OBJECTIVES ARE:

1. To broaden potential neighborhood leaders' understanding of the community;
2. To expand the pool of skilled neighborhood leaders;
3. To encourage the establishment of networks among neighborhood leaders;
4. To enhance the ability of neighborhoods to resolve problems on their own or in cooperation with other neighborhoods and/or institutions and;
5. To introduce participants to decision-makers in our City and County governments, and throughout our community.

COSTS AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Tuition is \$75.00 and covers all classes, including the historic bus tour and lunch, and the graduation dinner. Payment must be submitted before November 30, 2007 to be considered for enrollment. Once accepted into the program, the tuition is non-refundable. Students must attend all classes, and any unexcused absence will result in failure to graduate. Applications and further information may be obtained by contacting one of the Co-Chairs.

Ingrid Comberg 727-821-2192

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CLASS DATES 2008

All classes will be on Mondays 6-9pm

Exceptions Quasi-Judicial will be on Tuesday night The Bus Tour and Paint Day on Saturday.

Orientation Night	January 14th
City Government	January 28th
Crime and Neighborhoods	February 11th
Effective Meetings	February 25th
Our Diverse Community	March 10th
Historic Bus Tour	Saturday, March 22nd
Effective Communications	March 31st
City Services	April 14th
County Government	April 28th
Quasi-Judicial	Tuesday May 13th
Paint day	TBD
Graduation Dinner	Thursday May 22, 2008



2008 CONA Elections

By: Tom Killian Nominating Committee Chairman

The following people have submitted their names for Officer and Standing Committee Chairs for our 2008 Elections.

Officers:

President - Barbara Heck, Cathy Wilson

1st Vice-President - Darden Rice; **2nd Vice President** - Will Michaels

Secretary - Conrad Weiser; **Treasurer** - Keith Locke

Standing Committees:

CONA Leadership-Ingrid Comberg

Court Watch - Carole Griffiths

Nominating Committee - Theresa McEachern

Audit - Travis Jarman

Public Safety - Cass Real, Jeff Franks

Nominations will be taken from the floor at the November 28 meeting. The nominations will be closed after the membership has a opportunity to submit their names. Only associations who have paid their 2007 membership dues can vote. Only the authorized representative from the paid association can vote. The association president can reassign their authorized representative via a formal letter or e-mail to the CONA board before the December 19th meeting. With the new by-laws, the Officers and each standing committee chairman now also have a vote.

If any CONA member has questions about the election or needs information on any of the positions please call me or my committee members.

Tom Killian 343-2041 (Chair)

Theresa McEachern 823-6390 Mary Darling 865-1621

WE'RE LOOKING AT POWER IN A NEW LIGHT.

INTRODUCING A **BALANCED SOLUTION** FOR THE FUTURE.

At Progress Energy, we're using innovative and environmentally responsible solutions to meet our area's growing energy needs. We are expanding our energy-efficiency programs to help you save energy and money.

We are supporting advanced technologies like solar power and plants fueled by vegetation waste. We are investing in existing power plants to

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CONA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES

The Sunshine Multi-Service Center - October 17, 2007

- President Barbara Heck called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.
- The President announced that some of our guest speakers for the evening would be delayed while attending a Management Dinner hosted by The Mayor.
- Several current candidates attending were invited to introduce themselves.
- Treasurer Keith Locke reported a current CONA balance of \$1,791.78 exclusive of our Leadership Funds account.
 - Keith appealed for an early collection of 2008 dues. We currently have 56 member neighborhood associations.
- Mary Darling spoke for her Nominating Committee, urging all CONA Officer candidates to sign the candidate's clipboard.
 - Nominations will be accepted from the floor at our November meeting after which the nominations will be closed. The CONA Officer elections will be held at our December meeting.
- Mary also urged all attending to consider applying for the CONA Leadership Class beginning in 2008. [A show of hands revealed many are alumni.] She reminded us that the \$75. class fee is often paid by their neighborhood association. [There are limited CONA scholarship opportunities.]
- Sgt. Tim Montanari, (S.P.P.D.), came forward to accept the CONA Citizen of The Month award as a salute to the late Sgt. Phil Quandt. The awarded plaque expressed our appreciations for the many years Sgt. Quandt served our neighborhoods.
- "Cat" Stuarts of the St. Petersburg Times told us of the upcoming CNN TV presidential candidates debate on November 28th. The format will utilize selected YouTube video segments to pose questions to the candidates' panel.
 - For citizens who would like to participate, but who lack camera equipment, The Times will record brief video questions here tonight as well as at their offices on several November dates as well as at the annual Readers Festival.
- The unanticipated conflict with the November 28th TV Debate may prompt some of the 500 invited guests to miss our CONA meeting that night. They will be graciously excused.
- Frank Murphy, President of Catholic Charities, provided an outlook for their program known as "Pinellas Hope".
 - This is regarded, county wide, as an experimental program of only one year duration, to be subsequently evaluated.
 - The objective is to provide short term emergency housing.
 - It is assured that our local provisions for the homeless will be more successful this year.
 - The 25-acre site, owned by the Catholic Diocese, will use 10 acres along 126th. Ave. just off of 49th Street North, [an Industrial Park Area], for a fenced secure tent ground that will include several mobile, modular structures.
 - Mayor Baker, Commissioner Ronnie Duncan and Bishop Larkin are closely collaborating on this project with inputs from the Homeless Coalition and the Homeless Network.
 - Plans include public bus transportation to the site from metro centers.
 - Shelter and safety are primary goals.
 - On site social services and police security will be available 24/7.
 - Modular, mobile shelters will provide toilet and shower facilities.
 - Target clients are those seeking to overcome homelessness. [Last year 60% did not seem to try!]
 - All resident clients will be interviewed and tracked. All will always be free to leave at any time. [No predators.]
 - The Diocese will try to find other housing for families. None will be accommodated in tents at Pinellas Hope.
 - The project is committed first to our Pinellas County population.
 - Volunteer information and project developments can be tracked on their new web site: www.pinellashope.org.
 - Sign up sheets are being posted to invite faith based and other area organizations to commit to serving meals on specific dates between the December first opening and the May first closing.
- Commissioner Ken Welch reported an initial commitment of \$260,000. for the project, with a prospect for a following \$200,000. The anticipated operating budget for the project is \$600,000.
- Catholic Charities is loaning the tents to be used and will provide sleeping bags if needed later.
- The project's tent population is limited to 250 by county density rules. (25 persons per acre).
- Local surveys among the homeless indicate a majority would be willing to use the accommodations at Pinellas Hope.
- The 1% restaurant sales tax in Dade County has proven to be a very effective source of funding for homeless programs.
- Barbara noted that the CONA Executive Board is committed to visiting Pinellas Hope twice to serve a meal. We will provide details of how other organizations can also enroll to serve.
- The new Director of Codes Compliance, Todd Yost, was introduced to our members. [He offered his phone: 893-4065.]
 - A USF Political Science MBA, Mr. Yost has spent 20 years working for nine different departments in St. Petersburg.
 - Though hit by a 25% budget cut for his department he promised there would be no reduction of services.
 - He also introduced Gary Bush his Operations Manager.
- Director Yost also spoke at length of the Mayor's campaign to eliminate unsightly and illegal snipe signs.
 - He has dispatched 20 Codes Investigators working in groups of two, clearing the major rights of way.
 - They confiscated 300 signs this week.
 - They are working in coordination with the Sanitation Department that has allocated one full time worker to snipe sign collection.
 - Their goal is to develop a database of signs origins in the hope of pressing legal prosecution as Clearwater has.
 - Director Yost is available to speak to neighborhood meetings- any time any place!
 - We were reminded that Travis Jarman is the contact for our anti-snipe sign efforts. All were urged not to remove signs but rather to report them to Codes or Sanitation for tracking.
- We next heard from Assistant Police Chief Luke Williams. He reiterated their continued appeal for the public's eyes and ears, to report suspicious or criminal activities.
 - He reviewed the successes of the new CSO Program, initiated in December of last year.
 - They have replied to nearly 5,000 calls with a 100% record of unailing call backs responding to their calls.
 - Chief Williams introduced Detective Sergeant Mike Kovacsev. He appealed for the use of the anonymous "Tip Line" to report suspicious activity: 892-5000. He reported that some rewards funding is available for tipsters.
 - The Sergeant noted that our homicide cases reach an average of 60-70% closure each year. "Cold Cases" are never closed.
- Responding to a question about the Matrix Police Management Study, he explained that Chief Harmon and his staff are still studying the recommendations and how they can be implemented.
 - Based on the criteria of 45% free time, the Chief does not conclude that there is a shortage of officers, (we currently have several more on the payroll than the authorized strength), but staff enlargement is sure as the population grows.
- Several commented from the floor how much they appreciated the work of their Community Service Officers (CSOs).
- Scott Swift, (Bartlett Park), cited the use of the neighborhood newsletter to focus on unsolved crime cases to encourage neighborhood reporting of crime information.
- Commissioner Welch inquired about youth gang activities here.
 - We were told that though gang graffiti has grown there has not been a corresponding increase of gang criminal activity.
 - The large, better-organized gangs have been broken up by incarcerations.
 - We learned of increasing cooperative exchanges of youth gang activity from the several law enforcement agencies in our Bay Area.
 - Police agencies often work closely with families of gang oriented youth.
 - Local car thefts have dropped over the last three months.
 - Chief Williams advocates an indictment "Point System" to preclude early release of repeat offenders.
 - He expressed his appreciation for the work of our CONA Public Safety Committee chaired by Cass Rael Sr. and Carole Griffiths.
 - The Chief introduced the District #1 CSO Officers. He assured us they only hire people of the quality that we would be willing to have visit in our homes.
- V.P. Will Michaels, Chair of our Historic Preservation and Land Development Committee cited several previous CONA recommendations that have not yet been incorporated into the Land Development Regulations. Hopefully these will be addressed in the upcoming "Glitch" ordinance.
 - Need for shorter development application approval periods, (now up to 9 years).
 - Need for limits on duration of construction, (there are now none).
 - At least 30 day period for neighborhood associations to study developer's applications, variances, etc. prior to city staff making their recommendations, (an additional 10 days over what is now allowed).
 - Embrace Al Lang Field and Mahaffey Theater in the new Waterfront Park zoning, giving maximum protection to these public resources.
 - Require that any future major changes to development projects, approved prior to the enactment of the new LDRs, comply with the new LDRs, and any additional new requirements in effect at the time of the change.
- Will also spoke of a meeting with the Mayor at which it was objected that Bright House planned to move the city government TV channels to a higher range on the dial.
 - Moved, (W. Michaels), that CONA supports the city's legal efforts to preserve programming of the public information channels at the current lower frequencies that will not restrict or inflate the cost of public access to those channels. [Approved]
- Will also reminded us of the non-televised City Council Candidates Forum, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, to be held at the Historical Society on October 25th, from 5 to 7:30 PM. An R.S.V.P. Historic Society will be appreciated.
- City Councilman Herb Polson reported that our city public access channels, (15/35), will air, (repeatedly), a series of submitted 90-second council candidates speeches.
- He also noted that Knology has announced that it will not shift our public access channels to a higher frequency.
- A brief period of Open Forum preceded our conclusion at 8:55 PM.

Conrad Weiser, Secretary

Lower your power bill this winter with home energy improvements

Floridians may not experience cold winter weather like in other parts of the country, but when the temperature does drop, it's important that your home is ready. Home energy improvements will make your home more comfortable and can have a big impact on lowering your power bill. Not only will you reduce your energy use, you may actually get paid for making such changes.

If you're not sure where to start, Progress Energy Florida suggests beginning with a free Home Energy Check. **A Home Energy Check** provides residential customers with a comprehensive analysis of energy consumption, and will help you identify and evaluate cost-effective energy-saving measures for your home.

Such energy efficiency recommendations may include a thorough examination of your air duct system. **It is estimated that one-third of all heating and cooling is wasted at leaks in the joints of your duct work.** This can both increase your electric bill and have a negative impact on the air quality in your home. A simple test can determine if duct repairs need to be made. Progress Energy Florida will pay for half of the cost of the test and the first \$150 for any identified repair costs.

A Home Energy Check can also determine if your home has **proper wall and attic insulation.** Proper insulation can mean significant savings on your heating and cooling costs. Typically homes more than 15 years old are less likely to have adequate insulation. If your Home Energy Check determines you need to upgrade your insulation, you may save even more – up to \$100 for attic/ceiling insulation and up to \$300 for injected wall insulation – if you qualify for additional incentives from Progress Energy.

Another way to lower your power bill is by installing a **high-efficiency heat pump.** A heat pump is one of the most cost-efficient heating systems you can buy. It can cut your heating costs in half if you are currently using electric resistance heat. If your home already has a heat pump, upgrading its efficiency will also reduce your heating costs. Plus, when you upgrade to a high-efficiency heat pump, you can receive as much as a \$350 incentive from Progress Energy Florida, making your home more economical than ever.

One of the simplest ways to lower energy costs is to install **window film.** In the winter, window film traps indoor room heat for increased comfort and in the summer, it helps to reduce the amount of heat from the sun that enters your home. Available at home improvement stores, window film can be an easy do-it-yourself project. Other ways to add value and energy savings to your home include professionally installed high-performance windows or window screening. When you invest in any of these window upgrades, you may receive from Progress Energy a rebate up to \$250 on replacement windows and up to 50 percent of the cost on window film and screens up to \$100. You'll also protect your valuables from the damaging effects of the sun's UV rays; you may even be able to reduce the size and cost of a new HVAC system due to the increased efficiency of your windows. Remember, if you are considering a new heating and air system, upgrading your windows at the same time is strongly recommended to maximize your energy-efficiency advantages.

If you're thinking about building a home, Progress Energy and Florida home builders have teamed up to design and build energy-efficient homes under a program called **Home Advantage.** Whether you are in the market for a single-family home, condominium or a manufactured home, Home Advantage ensures your new home will be constructed in a truly energy efficient manner.

To sign up for a free Home Energy Check and learn more about Home Advantage or any of the energy efficiency programs and rebates from Progress Energy Florida visit www.savethewatts.com and start saving today!

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Codes Office: 893-7373

SPPD Community Service Numbers:

District: 1 551-3181
District 2 551-3182
District 3 551-3183

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CONA's Citizen of the Month

November Citizen of the Month

Conrad Weiser

The minutes and record keeping are critically important to any organization. The Secretary's job is demanding and tedious. It takes a very special person willing to serve as Secretary . . . and to continue to do it year after year with such skill.

Conrad is faithful, gracious and generous with both his time and talent for performing the duties of Secretary. He is a true "gentleman" – polite, kind and considerate. We have all benefited directly and indirectly from Conrad's service and presence at CONA.

This is CONA's opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation to him. The CONA Officers, Board Members and Associations salute Conrad Weiser and honor him as our November CONA Citizen of the Month.